



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
SUPERFUND SITE STRATEGY RECOMMENDATION - REGION 06



Site Name: Devil's Swamp

CERCLIS ID#: LAD981155872

Address: Sections 44, 45, 32, and 47 of Township 5 South, Range 1 West and Sections 55, 4, 9, and 8 of Township 6 South, Range 1 West

City/County or Parish/State/Zip Code: Scotlandville/East Baton Rouge/LA

Report Type, Date, and Author: ESI, October 20, 1993, PRC FMI

RECOMMENDATION

- ☐ 1. Site Evaluation Accomplished (SEA) ☒ 2. Further Investigation Needed Under Superfund
- ☐ PA ☒ HRS Priority: ☒ High
☐ SI ☐ RA ☐ Low
☐ ESI ☐ RI/FS
☐ Other:
To be performed by: TES Contractor - PRC
- ☐ 3. Action Deferred to:
☐ RCRA ☐ NRC

NOTIFY AUTHORITY:

- ☐ Removal ☐ RCRA ☐ TSCA ☐ CAA ☐ SMCRA
☐ Remedial ☐ State ☐ NPDES ☐ NRC ☐ Resource Trustee:
☐ CERCLA Enforcement ☐ Federal Facility ☐ UIC ☐ SPCC ☐ Other:
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DISCUSSION: The Expanded Site Inspection (ESI) for this site, completed by the TES contractor PRC was reviewed. Devil's Swamp is a 3,500 acre wetlands area located next to a heavily industrialized area. The site is bordered on the west and south by the Mississippi River, on the north by the Petro-Processors of Louisiana, Inc.; a site on the National Priorities List of Superfund sites, and on the east by the Rollins Environmental Services, Inc., facility and the Baton Rouge Harbor. The main pathway of concern at this site is the surface water pathway, where hazardous substances in the sediments of Devil's Swamp may present a threat to the human food chain and environmental targets. Elevated concentrations of chlorinated hydrocarbons, as well as inorganic compounds, have been detected in the soil, sediments, surface water of Devil's Swamp during previous investigations. The analytical results of the ESI samples have shown elevated concentrations of organic and inorganic compounds in sediment and surface water samples collected from Devil's Swamp. Organic compounds including: hexachlorobenzene, hexachlorobutadiene, have been documented in the sediments of Devil's Swamp. Inorganic compounds including lead, cadmium and mercury have been documented in the sediments of Devil's Swamp. A Hazard Ranking System (HRS) package for this site has been tasked to the TES contractor and a final decision will be made following the preparation of the HRS package.

APPROVALS:

Report Reviewed by: John L. Jones

Signature: John L. Jones

Date: Oct/28/93

Disposition Recommended by: Eddie A. Sierra
(Section Chief)

Signature: Eddie A. Sierra

Date: 10/28/93

Disposition Approved by: Betty Williamson
(Branch Chief)

Signature: Betty Williamson

Date: 10/28/93

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